# Idaho State Board of Education

### **GOVERNING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

**SECTION: V. FINANCIAL AFFAIRS** 

Subsection: S. Allocation of Lump Sum Appropriation (BSU, ISU, LCSC, UI) February 2006

## 1. Objectives

- a. The funding process should offer maximum institutional flexibility to allocate funds internally to carry out roles and missions established by the Board.
- b. The funding process should be a straightforward approach that can be used by the Board to express system-wide priorities.
- c. There should be a clear and understandable relationship between institutional needs, the system-wide funding request, the legislative appropriations, the allocation of funds, and the ultimate use of the funds.
- d. The funding process should not penalize institutions as the result of decisions related to the internal allocation of resources by other institutions.
- e. Any incentives that the Board uses in the funding process should be explicit.
- f. The funding process should be applied consistently from year-to-year so that there can be some level of predictability in the allocation as well as increased confidence in the outcome.
- g. The funding process should encourage cooperative programs among institutions.
- h. The funding process should be compatible with the Statewide Plan for Higher Education.

#### 2. Methodology

The allocation shall consist of the total of the lump sum general account appropriation and actual land grant endowment receipts. The allocation shall be made in the following order:

- a. Each institution shall be allocated its base allocation of the prior year.
- b. An Enrollment Workload Adjustment shall be applied to the allocation of each institution. The adjustment shall be calculated as follows:
  - (1) A three-(3) year moving average of credit hours multiplied by the program weights shall be used. The three (3) years to be used shall be those which precede the year of the allocation and shall consist of two (2) years of actual and one (1) year of estimated credit hours.
  - (2) Effective with the FY 1990 allocation, credit hours generated from externally funded sources and contracts shall be removed from this adjustment. Credit hours for in-service teacher education shall not be removed.

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- (3) The total budget base of the institutions shall be multiplied by 0.67 and divided by the three-(3)year moving average of total weighted credit hours for the prior year. The resultant amount per credit hour shall be multiplied by the change from the prior three-(3)year moving average of weighted credit hours for each institution to calculate the adjustment by institution.
- (4) Program weights are the weighting factors applied to four (4) categories of instructional disciplines with different weight factors by category and course level. The groups and factors follow.

Group 1	Group II		
Physical Education	Area Studies		
Law	Business & Management		
Letters	Education		
Library Sciences	Communications		
Mathematics	Home Economics		
Military Science	Public Affairs		
Psychology	Interdisciplinary Studies		
Social Sciences			
Group III	Group IV		
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Agricultural & Natural Resources	Engineering		
Architecture & Environmental Design	Health Professions		
Biological Sciences	Computer & Information Sciences		
Fine & Applied Arts			
Foreign Languages			
Physical Sciences			

The weighting factors for the above categories are as follows:

Course Level	<u>Category</u>			
	I	II	III	IV
Lower Division	1.00	1.30	1.60	3.00
Upper Division	1.50	1.90	2.50	3.50
Masters	3.50	3.50	6.00	6.50
Doctoral	5.00	6.25	7.50	10.00
Law	3.50			

An additional five percent (5%) emphasis factor is given to the Primary Emphasis areas at each institution. These areas are:

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Boise State University	Idaho State University
Business	Health Professions
Social Science (includes Economics)	Biological Sciences
Public Affairs	Physical Sciences
Performing Arts (excluding Art)	Education
Education	
Engineering	
University of Idaho	Lewis-Clark State College
Agriculture	Business
Forestry	Criminal Justice
Mines	Nursing
Engineering	Social Work
Architecture	Education
Law	
Foreign Languages	
Education	

- c. Operations and maintenance funds (custodial, maintenance, and utilities) for new, major general education capital improvement projects shall be allocated to affect institutions.
- d. Decision units above the base shall be consistent with the legislative budget request. The allocation of these decision units to the institutions shall be based on the proportionate share of each institution in the total budget request for these decision units applied to the increase in appropriations above the base excluding special allocations.
- e. The Board may also allocate funds for special activities or projects at the discretion of the Board.